



THURSDAY EVENING NOV. 1, 1906.

COMMENTING on and comparing the notorious stealing of the whisky ring during the Grant administration with the multifarious thievery of the sugar trust, The New York World says:

The sugar trust built up its alliances through several administrations. It had dealt with the organizations of both parties. It did only stole public revenue through a long period of years, but it violated the anti-trust law and the interstate commerce law as well. Not one of its officers or directors has yet been brought to trial. Its rebating crimes were exposed not by the government, but by a private citizen. Its violation of the anti-trust law was established not in a government prosecution, but in a private suit. Its weighing frauds were settled originally by the payment of \$2,000,000, and although the trust's attorneys admitted that the government could have collected additional penalties of \$9,000,000, no such demand was made. The trust was even allowed by Congress to dictate the tariff schedule under which it robbed the federal treasury of public revenue. The long continued alliance between the sugar trust and government is one of the most scandalous chapters in the history of the United States.

All this is true, and the pity of it and the shame of it lie in the fact that the government is an accessory to the crime of its creators. Concerning this the Philadelphia Record says:

Never was a truer word spoken than Haverley's unshaking declaration that "the protective tariff is the mother of the trust." When the trust was allowed to dictate to the tariff makers the rates of duty on sugar, and when, in turn, the trust made heavy contributions to party campaign funds, there was formed a disgusting illicit partnership. What wonder that it should be followed up by 20 years of unchecked plundering? What wonder that the trust went on and on its stealing without fear of congressional investigation? Even now it only stands exposed as a result of individual initiative which in very many has pushed the government to bluster action.

It was announced at the recent convention held in Macon of the Georgia branch of the National Farmers' Union, that \$5,000,000 had been pledged in this state to keep up the price of cotton. Of that amount \$3,500,000 is subject to the call of the 100 or more consolidated union warehouses. By this plan the farmers say they will be enabled to meet all their obligations and will be able to hold their cotton. The union leaders say that cotton will sell for 20 cents before Christmas. On the other hand, cotton manufacturers are curtailing their output to cut down the high price of raw cotton and to increase the price of cotton goods. With the fight between the grower and the manufacturer, the consumer will have to pay dearly for his cotton goods.

Report comes from Cherry, Ill., that the awful mining disaster there was caused by gross carelessness of the miners themselves. It is not unlikely. Most accidents are caused by carelessness. The miners are not the most intelligent and responsible class of workers, and with all men familiarity breeds contempt. But the responsibility doesn't end with the men who were very likely careless and who have been killed. It must be ascertained what measures the mine operators took to have the rules and regulations enforced, and whether the state officials paid any attention to the enforcement of the rules.

There are 200,000 men and women in New York who are willing to work, but who are not able to obtain employment, was the statement made on Monday by Cora B. Harvey, secretary of the national committee of the unemployed, before the state commission which is investigating the operation of the employers' liability act. She urged a plan by which the state should open factories and employ these men and women. This is a distressing state of affairs especially as winter is just coming and prices of food are advancing steadily.

The divorce of Mr. and Mrs. John Jacob Astor, of New York, which was granted by Justice Mills, of the State Supreme Court recently, has been widely discussed, owing to the fact that the papers in the case were kept secret by the court and that Mrs. Astor was reported to have received a settlement of \$100,000. Justice Mills was later quoted as saying that publicity would tend to lessen divorce suits, but that the reform was one for the legislature to deal with.

SENATOR LODGE tells the workingmen of Massachusetts that high prices of food, fuel, etc., are not due to the tariff. He says prices are higher because gold is cheaper. He stops there, leaving the workingmen to infer that the tariff increases wages. But, says the Philadelphia Record, the workingman who gets his pay in cheaper gold will probably do some thinking on his own account.

EMPEROR WILLIAM confided to Count Zepelin recently his fear that he

would never experience the sensation of flying in the air. He said that he had promised the empress that he would never make an ascent either in a dirigible balloon or an aeroplane. His majesty added that the empress regarded all air crafts as extremely perilous. The emperor is apparently as mild a mannered husband as he is a determined ruler.

From Washington.

Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette, Washington, Nov. 18.

President and Mrs. Taft will board the yacht Mayflower at the navy yard this afternoon for a two days' trip to Norfolk and Hampton. Captain A. W. Bitt, the president's military aide, and Mrs. Laughlin, of Pittsburgh, a sister of Mrs. Taft, will be included in the party. At Norfolk Mrs. and Mrs. Carnegie will board the Mayflower to remain as guests of president and Mrs. Taft during their stay in the vicinity. On Friday the president will attend the Atlantic Deep Waterways Convention at Norfolk; in the afternoon will participate in a "oyster roast" at Cape Henry, and in the evening will look in on the "smoker" that is to be given in his honor by the citizens of Norfolk. The president's Saturday programme includes a visit and address at Hampton Institute and a review of the dress parade to be given by the soldiers at Fort Monroe. Mr. and Mrs. Taft will start up the river on the Mayflower Saturday night, and on Sunday will return to Washington, reaching there early Sunday morning. On the trip down the Potomac the Mayflower will be closely followed by the steamer Norfolk carrying a delegation of Washington newspaper men who will attend the Waterways Convention and assist the president in making the festivities successful.

The District Court of Appeals today decided to extend the time of the issuance of the mandate in the Gompers-Mitchell-McCriswell case until November 29, in order to give counsel for the three labor leaders opportunity to present to the Supreme Court of the United States an application for a writ of certiorari. Chief Justice Shepard announced that still further time would be granted, if needed, pending the proceedings in the Supreme Court. In renewing his request for this extension of time, Attorney Ralston alluded to the fact that the Supreme Court is now a recess and that there would be no opportunity to reply for the writ until the late of reconvening, November 29. Somewhat to the surprise of counsel for the federal officials, attorney Darlington, representing the Banks, Stone and Range Company, who brought the original action which resulted in the judgments of Gompers and his associates on the ground that they had violated the anti-boycott injunctions, interposed no objection. Had it not been for today's action, the mandate would have been issued on Saturday, and in the absence of intervention by the Supreme Court, the three labor leaders would have been sent to jail next Monday, on their return from the A. F. of L. convention in Toronto. The sentence pronounced by Justice Wright, from which Gompers and his associates appealed, calls for the incarceration of the three labor leaders in the jail of the District of Columbia. This jail has been pronounced by recent investigations to be one of the worst in the country.

Following the receipt of a report from the consulate at Managua that two Americans, Leonard Grace and Leroy Gannon, were executed by President Zelaya's order, the State Department today informed the charge of the Nicaraguan legation in Washington that the reception of the new Nicaraguan minister, Senor Hazera, will be indefinitely postponed. At the request of the State Department the Navy Department has ordered the cruisers Vicksburg and Des Moines to Central American waters. Two dispatches were received from the consulate at Managua. The first reported that the two Americans had been captured with the revolutionists and sentenced to death at Del Castillo, near Greytown. The second dispatch reported that the case under consideration, but stated later that the sentence was final. The second dispatch states that it was reported that the two Americans had been executed and the consul adds that he has reason to believe this to be the case. The new Nicaraguan minister who was sent to Washington to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Dr. Espinosa, a few weeks ago, called on Secretary Knox yesterday to arrange for his formal presentation to President Taft. Not being officially recognized as yet, the State Department informed the charge of the Nicaraguan legation to inform the minister that he would not be received. It is doubtful whether he will ever be officially recognized in Washington as the possibility of Zelaya's making amends for the execution of the two Americans is considered very remote. The department has also received a dispatch from Bluefields to the effect that the revolutionary provisional government has declared the Port of San Juan del Norte under a public blockade. As a result, the city, which is said to contain 1,000 Zelaya troops, is invested by land and sea.

President Taft this afternoon received the new Belgian minister Ounet de Buisseret Steenbecque de Blaregnon and Baron Liang Kwa, the uncle of the emperor of China. It was learned at the Treasury Department today that a number of dismissals have already been made at the New York custom house, and that more are to be made in the near future. Names are withheld.

Following the leaking out of information yesterday that the president has quietly started an investigation of the Ballinger-Finch controversy and the Glavis charges against the secretary of the interior, newspaper correspondents flocked to the White House to inquire. "Oh, this weather is mild," rejoined the chief executive today and who requests that his name be withheld from publication. A howling wind from the northwest cut down Pennsylvania Avenue today, whirled around the figure of a tall man and lifted his hat into the middle of the street. "The weather is mild," said a man who had discussed the matter with the chief executive today and who requests that his name be withheld from publication.

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Tenant-Commander Robert E. Perry, U. S. N. There is a modification in the attitude of the Chilean government within the next few days toward the Alop claim, the charge of the American legation at Santiago will be withdrawn and the legation will be closed. From present indications, it is hardly expected that any favorable action will be taken by Chile in response to Secretary Knox's note to this effect. The withdrawal of the Chilean minister from the United States within the next ten days is also looked for.

The Comptroller of the Currency today issued a call for statements of the condition of the national banks of the country at the close of business on Tuesday, November 16.

News of the Day.

The Girls Latin School in Baltimore is to be closed for want of funds to carry it on.

The yacht Varna, owned by Eugene Higgins, of New York, was wrecked on the coast of Madeira during a severe storm. There was no loss of life.

The Irish land bill was passed in the House of Lords last night with some changes in the amendments recently proposed by the lords, to which the House of Commons on November 5 refused to agree.

By marrying his son's divorced wife, Thomas Feeley, seventy-one years old, a wealthy resident of Woonsocket, R. I., became the stepfather of his grandson. The wedding will take place in Philadelphia on Tuesday.

The body of Rev. J. C. Hathaway, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church at Maryville, Mo., was found hanging yesterday from a railroad bridge in the northeast part of the city. No reason is known for his suicide.

A contract involving about \$1,750,000 was secured by the American Bridge Company for the making and erection of the fabric of the new municipal bridge across the Mississippi river at St. Louis. The bridge is to be of nickel steel.

Ninety million tons of coal, one-fifth of the total production of the country, were consumed by the 61,000 locomotives in the United States in 1906 in hauling freight and passenger trains. This fuel cost the railroad companies \$170,500,000.

Walter Runciman, president of the Board of Education, speaking at Hall last night, made the important announcement in behalf of the government that it would refuse to entertain any negotiations or compromise with the peers over the budget.

Bishop Kinsman, of Delaware has deposited Rev. Paul Jones (Lewis E. Watson, of Easton, Md.), because he joined the Catholic Church. The deposition, which took place in the chapel adjoining the bishop's residence, was in accordance with a request of Father Paul.

In charging a jury in a desertion case in Franklin, Pa., on Tuesday, Judge Crisswell said that the negging by a wife did not necessarily justify desertion by the husband. Such conduct, he said, is often due to ill-health, and a husband's marital vow in taking the woman "for better or worse" obligates him to tolerate it. The jury, however, found the husband not guilty.

Fifteen thousand patriots of the wine growers of France surrounded the Chamber of Deputies in Paris yesterday, shrieking "Down with Obery." Minister of Finance, after parading through the streets of Paris. The demonstration was an organized protest against the additional tax of \$14,000,000 on wine and grapes provided in the budget outlined by Minister of Finance Obery.

Flour millers who have been at war with the Department of Agriculture for nearly a year over their right to manufacture bleached flour, received two orders yesterday to stop. Secretary Wilson issued an order to his inspectors to seize all of the bleached flour in the country. The millers have the so-called "low cases" called up for trial before the pending cases are heard were defeated at Minneapolis.

Booker T. Washington, accompanied by Ernest Lyon, the minister to Liberia, and Emmett J. Scott, a member of the Liberian commission, called on President Taft yesterday to urge his support for the plan of holding a negro exposition in the year 1912 to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of emancipation. The president expressed his sympathy with the movement and said he would do whatever might be in his power to help it along. No place has yet been selected for holding the exposition.

It is said that President Taft has decided to fill the vacancy on the Supreme bench, left by the death of Justice Peckham, of New York, with a southern democrat who is not more than 55 years of age. If this be correct the four southerners who have been most prominently mentioned as possible successors to Justice Peckham are eliminated. These are Circuit Judge Horace Landon, of Tennessee; Secretary of War Dickinson, former Secretary Luke E. Wright and Charles N. Judson, of St. Louis.

James J. Jeffries, with Sam Berger and Frank Gotch, world's champion wrestler, made an aggregation which left New York en route to Atlantic City yesterday to open up three-weeks' of one-night stands. Jeffries' contract calls for a salary of \$25,000 a week, while he must be provided with a private car, containing a complete gymnasium outfit. His contract also allows him to return to New York on December 1st to be present when bids for his fight with Johnson are opened. Besides Jeffries, the others must be paid good salaries.

An explosion of dynamite destroyed the front of the new Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart at Clinton, in the coal fields, near Terre Haute, Ind., yesterday. Three hundred sticks of dynamite, enough to have blown up the neighborhood, was found in different parcels around the church. Most of the fuses had been clumsily set and failed to explode. More dynamite was found in a tower adjoining the home of Father Maher, against whom recently had been expressed by some of the parishioners opposed to the building of the new church. The City Council has offered \$1,000 for evidence against the dynamite.

guns and four revolvers. The daughter, who was near her father, fell dead at the first shot, and Mrs. Compton had a narrow escape. "We didn't intend to shoot the girl," said Albert Owens. "She rushed in front of the old man."

A scheme to make every college student in England and America, no matter how poor, a globe-trotter, received its initial impetus Monday with the opening of a bureau in London to collect contributions from wealthy men to carry out the project. Bureaus will later be opened in New York and Montreal. The new scheme is an extension of the Rhodes scholarships, and if millions are in America and England can be induced to follow the example of the late Cecil Rhodes, the students of many universities in England, the United States and Canada may be able to travel anywhere in the world with no expense to themselves.

The slugging of non-union men, the firing of buildings because union carpenters were not employed on them, and the preparing of dynamite bombs were told of in Chicago yesterday by Bruno Verra, principal witness for prosecution in the trial of Vincent and Joseph Altman, indicted in connection with a bomb explosion that partly wrecked the mills of the Standard Sash and Door Company in May, 1905. Verra testified that he had been hired by Vincent Altman as a "slugger," and that he received \$5 each for several jobs of "slugging." He told of burning a garage with Vincent Altman because non-union carpenters were working on the building, and of setting fire to a building owned by a policeman for the same reason.

Virginia News.

Mrs. Selma Williams, an authoress, better known by her pseudonym of "Barley Star," died in Berryville yesterday aged 83 years.

Legalization of the primary system in Virginia is provided in a bill being prepared by Speaker Richard Evelyn Byrd, of the House of Delegates.

Mr. W. T. Fleming, one of the oldest and most prominent citizens and farmers of Fauquier county, died at his home near Upperville on Tuesday evening of last week aged 71 years.

The freight and passenger station of the Norfolk and Western Railway, at Stanley, in Page county, was burned yesterday with all the contents, including express matter, freight tickets, etc. It is thought the fire started from an overheated stove.

A drove of 400 turkeys are on their way from Port Seybert, W. Va., to Harrisonburg in charge of keepers. The start was made Monday, and they are due to arrive in Harrisonburg today. Their ultimate destination is the Thanksgiving table.

The directors of the newly-organized People's National Bank, of Warrenton, met there this morning and elected officers with Albert Fletcher, sr., president. The new bank will be capitalized at \$50,000. It will open its doors December 1.

Governor Swanson, of Virginia, will call a meeting of the Gettysburg Monument Commission to select a new site for the proposed monument on the battlefield, the secretary of war having declined to allow any monument to be placed on "Bloody Angle," the site previously selected by Virginia.

The Princess Troubetzkoy, Amelle Rives, who, with her husband, the Prince Troubetzkoy, arrived in this country from Europe a few days ago, has gone to her Virginia home, Castle Hill, at Cobham, Albemarle county. The princess is said to be at work upon a new manuscript. Her latest story, "Trix and Over-the-moon," was published less than a month ago.

Preparations are being made for the farmers' conference and seed corn selection meeting in Leesburg next Saturday. Willet M. Hays, assistant secretary of the Department of Agriculture; Dr. S. A. Knapp, of the farmers' demonstration bureau, Department of Agriculture, and Prof. F. W. Howe, of the U. S. experiment station will be the speakers. The purpose of the meeting is to convince farmers that greater crops can be raised and that young men can find a profitable calling in scientific agriculture.

Messrs. Davis & Davis, Washington patent attorneys, report the grant this week to citizens of this state of the following patents: W. E. Carson, River-ton, cementitious composition and making the same; C. B. Davis, Manchester, paper box; P. J. Murphy, Alexandria, saw carriage; H. O. Roseberry, Taro, paper-roll holder; G. C. Seward, Holcombe Rock, tapping-furrower; G. L. Stanbro and A. D. Wagner, Norfolk, electromagnetic traction system, and J. W. Stickley, Norfolk, track-sanding apparatus.

The Farmers and Merchants' Banking and Trust Company, of London, opened for business in Leesburg on Tuesday. The company, of which Robert N. Harper, of Washington is president, organized in July last. The citizens of Hamilton have also organized a banking institution under the name of the Farmers and Merchants' National Bank of Hamilton. It will have a capital of \$25,000, and will be the fourth national bank and the fifth financial institution in London. Dr. Thomas F. Keen, of Hamilton, has been elected president.

ATTEMPT TO WRECK A TRAIN.

Domicio Falasco, the Italian track walker employed to inspect the tracks in the tunnel at the new union station, was yesterday arrested on the track in union station tunnel to wreck a train.

Falasco has been under the surveillance of the railroad police for sometime. About two weeks ago he ran into a drug store and claimed that an attempt had been made to shoot him in the tunnel. It is believed that Falasco has had some trouble with a fellow-trackwalker and that he committed yesterday morning's crime in order to throw discredit on this man.

PAPER CUTTER A GUILLOTINE.

Unable to save himself from falling forward after his foot had slipped, just as the huge knife of a paper-cutting machine was descending, John Drey, "back tender," was decapitated in the Diamond Paper Mills at Whippany, N. J., on Tuesday. As his head slid in under the sharp knife Drey gave a shriek that was heard above the roar of the machinery. The next instant the knife came down directly behind Drey's left ear, severing his head from the body. As quickly as the signal could be given the machinery was stopped and Drey's body fell to one side of the big cutter.

Today's Telegraphic News.

Wants a Labor Party.

Toronto, Nov. 18.—Declaring that the American workingmen should benefit by the lessons of the past and realize that he has no chance to have his own filled by politicians while he operates from within an established political organization, J. R. Clynes, member of the British Parliament and a fraternal delegate to the American Federation of Labor convention here today suggested to the federation the formation of a labor party by the workmen of the United States. Clynes further said: "The work should begin now. The employers are organized. They get what they want from the old parties. Labor cannot do it must organize, fight its own fight, elect its own candidates, and make the laws the workers need."

The work of the federation convention has been pushed so vigorously that there is little doubt that adjournment can be taken early Saturday afternoon.

The convention overwhelmingly adopted the adjustment committee report in favor of the virtual compulsory amalgamation of the International Association of Railway Car Workers, an affiliate body and of the Brotherhood of Railway Car Men and of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners and the Amalgamated Car Workers. The action carries with it the power to revoke the car workers charter and the charters of both carpenters unions and to replace them with charters to the Amalgamated bodies.

The Crisis in England.

London, Nov. 18.—The headquarters of the liberal government today declared that the speech of Commissioner of Education Walter Runciman at Hall last night is the final decision of the government regarding the proposed rejection of the Lloyd-George budget by the House of Lords. Runciman said that the government would refuse to negotiate or compromise with the Lords in any way over the land, liquor and death taxes or any other provision of the budget.

Premier Asquith, according to the present determination of the government, will not resign with his cabinet even if the Lords do throw out their budget. Neither will the government alter the budget. The liberals plan to standpat and make a play for popular favor by daring the House of Lords to over-ride the "Commons of England."

Killed in Automobile Accident.

Springfield, Mass., Nov. 18.—In an auto smashup here today, Otto M. Dreikorn, of Holyoke, was killed; William B. Reid and Arthur L. Librie, also of Holyoke, were so seriously injured they may die, and John Charwick and J. Lewis Perkins, the latter the owner of the machine, are badly hurt. Perkins, who is rich Holyoke paper manufacturer, was driving his automobile. He was running at a high rate of speed when he tried to turn out to avoid another automobile which was standing in the road and smashed into a tree. All of the victims are prominent in social and business circles in Holyoke.

Finland Diet Dissolved.

Helsingfors, Finland, Nov. 18.—The Finnish Diet, the last legislative body of Finland preserved from the domination of Russia, was dissolved today. The dissolution is looked upon as the beginning of the end of Finnish independence. It will undoubtedly be met by violent opposition on the part of the Finns, and may even precipitate armed resistance to Russian aggression.

The dissolution of the Diet is the refusal of that body to authorize a contribution of \$4,000,000 from the Finnish treasury to the military fund of Russia.

Fell From Third-Story Window.

Lima, Ohio, Nov. 18.—William Frick, nephew of H. C. Frick, the steel magnate, lies dying, it is believed at the City Hospital here as a result of a fall in a third story apartment of Florence Adams, a maid, woman, last night.

The woman escaped without serious injury and is being held. The lower limbs of Frick were so badly battered that amputation of one was necessary and a second operation may be necessary.

Florida Fast Mail Derailed.

Columbia, S. C., Nov. 18.—The Florida fast mail on the Seaboard Air Line was derailed by a broken switch frame near Denmark today. The negro fireman was killed and Engineer Pettit, the conductor, baggage-master and express agents injured. All of the cars fell the rails, but did not turn over, and although the passengers were shaken up and bruised, none was badly hurt.

Search for Murderer.

Troy, N. Y., Nov. 18.—Sheriff Beach and detectives from District Attorney Sanford's office are today endeavoring to run down the murderer who yesterday drugged and assaulted Caroline G. Grogan, aged 29 years, and left her dying on the lonely road outside of her home in Green Island. So far they have but little to work on.

Sugar Trust.

New York, Nov. 18.—That some one in the Department of Justice at Washington failed to introduce necessary proof, easily obtainable, in the trial of the Knight case whereby the sugar trust was allowed to win and the Sherman anti-trust law was practically knocked out in its first test case is charged by Hampton's magazine, out today. It alleges that this proof was the kind which any good lawyer could easily have introduced.

New York Stock Market.

New York, Nov. 18.—The market continued strong through the first hour, many issues advancing a full point. Reading and Anaconda copper were most prominent. New York Central advanced 5 points on small transactions. Bonds firm.

The Market.

Georgetown, D. C., Nov. 18, "Sheet 106-158.

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TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Confessing that they had committed five daring burglaries in a fashionable section of Atlanta, Ga., three fifteen-year-old boys, all members of prominent families, were arrested today.

Reinforcements arrived at Bordeaux today for the troops on duty for the street railway employees strike, doubling the force of 2,000 who have been patrolling the streets since the strike reached the point of violence.

Officers and directors of the Pennsylvania Railway system rode under the Hudson river in the first train to be operated in the \$160,000,000 improvement whereby the Pennsylvania secures entrance to the heart of New York City.

John Ellsworth, arrested in Chicago Tuesday on the charge of robbing the safe in the home of aged Schuyler Rainer, in Florence, of \$3,000, was brought back Mount Holly, N. J., today by County Detective Parker and lodged in jail. Later Ellsworth pleaded guilty.

"Bwana Tumbo" is in jail at Winchester, that is, a man who claimed that title along with several others, including "Theodore Roosevelt." He was nabbed by the authorities, who later ascertained that his name was Henry Edgar Beck, and that he hailed from Mercersburg, Pa.

Following the expulsion yesterday of the opponents of the military reform bill from the Chamber, the military league has been taken charge of the legislative body at Athens. Today one hundred non-commissioned army officers are stationed all about the meeting hall guarding the doors and other entrances.

Hundreds were turned away from the First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Washington, when a speaker, T. Washington, began his speechmaking tour at Bristol, Tenn. He intended visiting all sections of Tennessee for the purpose of bettering the condition of the negroes and bringing about better feeling between the blacks and whites. A crowd of two thousand whites and blacks heard him today, and he left in a special train for Johnson City, and Greenville, where he will speak next today.

The fourth-story Mahala block, one of the largest buildings in Sandusky, Ohio, is in flames and total destruction is certain and nearby business blocks are in danger. Part of the third and fourth floors have given way over the fire and scores of rooms were forced to flee in scanty clothing for their lives. All escaped without harm. Loss will reach \$300,000.

Mrs. Augusta Stetson, former first reader of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, of New York, and second in importance in the cult of Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, was today by orders of the board of trustees in Boston, formally excommunicated and her name ordered stricken from the rolls of the church.

The condition of John G. Carlisle, who has been ill at St. Vincent's Hospital, New York, for the past week, was extremely critical today, and his friends fear that on account of his advanced age, he will not survive.

The city hall of Elmira, N. Y., built at a cost of \$100,000 was destroyed by fire today. The records and the tax roll were in fire proof vaults and were not injured.

Loss of more than \$100,000 was caused by a fire in the Davis and Sargent Lumber Company's mills, at Lowell, Mass., early today.

SOUTHERN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT.

President Finley, of the Southern Railway Company, who was the principal speaker at a banquet given by the Board of Trade of Salisbury, N. C., last night, spoke on "Southern Industrial Development." Especially in the Piedmont Region."

Referring to the Piedmont as a region which typified, in the highest degree, the progress of the south, he traced the industrial history of the region through its three periods—the first of promising beginnings, the second of stagnation and decay, and the third of splendid revival and substantial accomplishment, pointing out the underlying economic causes which had shaped this history.

Mr. Finley expressed confidence in the continued growth of the cotton mill industry in the Piedmont and mountain regions along the line of greater diversification of production, especially in the direction of manufacturing the finer grades of goods, pointing out that the advantages of climate and pure water possessed by the neighboring mountain regions were as favorable as those of Switzerland for the manufacture of fine laces and embroidery.

Mr. Finley referred to the importance of power and transportation as economic factors, and pointed out that the Piedmont had both.

Mr. Finley subsequently took up the subject of markets for Piedmont products.

Speaking of the possibility that industrial development in the Piedmont might, in time, result in a shortage of labor, he suggested that serious consideration should be given to the matter of attracting industries, thrift, and law-abiding immigrants to recruit the southern industrial army and better fit it to march forward to new conquests. He expressed confidence in the ability of southern communities to solve this problem.

CUMBERLAND ANCHOR FOUND.

One of the anchors of the old federal frigate Cumberland, which was rammed and sunk by the Confederate ironclad Virginia in Hampton Roads in March, 1864, was found in the roads yesterday by forces of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company and hauled up on a barge. Attached to the anchor are two lengths of anchor chain, each link of which has the Cumberland's name cast in it. The Cumberland was the first of the federal fleet of wooden frigates to be attacked by the Virginia when that vessel first came out of Norfolk. The frigate went down with colors flying. The anchor probably will be returned over to the Navy Department to be placed with other naval trophies at Washington.

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INDIGESTION?

DR. J. C. SIMMONS' LIVER REGULATOR

DYSPEPSIA?

MR. TUCKER HAS CATARACT.

Harry St. George Tucker, of Lexington, recent candidate for the democratic nomination for governor, most undergo a surgical operation for the removal of a serious cataract from both eyes. This has so seriously affected his sight that he cannot recognize friends 10 feet from him in certain lights. Mr. Tucker went to Washington yesterday from Winchester, where a consultation regarding the operation was held by Dr. Hunter McGuire, of that place, and Dr. William Wilmer, of Washington. He was advised that the removal of the cataract is necessary to restore his sight. The cataract in his eyes has been developing for some time.

A peculiar coincidence regarding Mr. Tucker's trouble is that his father, the late John Randolph Tucker, suffered from the same trouble.

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